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Special Services Fees and Classifications) Docket No. MC96-3

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
INTERROGATORIES TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS TIMOTHY D. ELLARD
(OCA/USPS-T6-17-20)
(July 19, 1996)

Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal Rate Commission, the Office of the Consumer Advocate hereby submits interrogatories and requests for production of documents. Instructions included with OCA Interrogatories 1-4 to the United States Postal Service dated June 19, 1996, are hereby incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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OCA/USPS-T6-17. Please refer to the file POBOX.DAT of SSR-111. The responses to questions 3a, 4, and 5a of the survey questionnaire contain an "OTHER (SPECIFY)" option. It is not clear what some of the coded responses refer to.

- a. File POBOX.DAT contains values of 1, 10, 11, 12, 2, 3, 4, 45, 49, 5, 7, 8, and 9 for responses to question 3a.

 Please explain what each of these codes refers to.
- b. File POBOX.DAT contains values of 1, 10, 12, 2, 3, 4, 49, 5,7, 8, and 9 for responses to question 4. Please explainwhat each of these codes refers to.
- c. File POBOX.DAT contains values of 1, 10, 11, 12, 2, and 3 for responses to question 5a. Please explain what each of these codes refers to.

OCA/USPS-T6-18. Please refer to the Statement of Work at pages 2-3 and the questionnaire at pages 24-30 of SSR-111. These pages indicate that the post office box rate research included a study of potential box renters currently on waiting lists for boxes. Please provide a data file analogous to POBOX.DAT of SSR-111 for the waiting list respondents.

OCA/USPS-T6-19. Please provide pages 33 to 49 of SSR-111 in electronic format. This is the sample disposition tabulations for the post office box study.

OCA/USPS-T6-20. Can the waiting list data set be used in conjunction with the POBOX.DAT file to produce any estimates of correlation between the percentage of nonresident box holders and the existance (or length) of waiting lists? Please explain. If such correlation estimates can be produced, how reliable are they?

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 3.B(3) of the special rules of practice.

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